

## SMITH DISPUTE IS ADVANCED ON LIST.

It Will Be Tried in February  
So Appeal Can Be Taken  
In the Spring.

## HOTEL LICENSES TRANSFERRED

John Duggan is now proprietor of the Columbia Hotel on the West Side. Hearing in Telephone Case Comes Up This Afternoon.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 28.—Although the trial of the Berthanna R. Smith litigation was certified to the Common Pleas court for the March term, at the request of the attorneys interested it was agreed to put the case at the foot of the list of cases to be tried at the adjournment of December court. This will bring the case up for trial in February. Attorney E. C. Higbee, representing Eschscholtz H. M. Kephart, reported that there is sure to be an appeal to the Superior Court, no matter how the trial comes out, and it is desired to take this appeal at the Spring term in May. If the trial was deferred until the March term, this would not be possible.

The hearing in the injunction secured by the stockholders of the Tri-State Telephone Company, restraining the American Union Telephone Company from disposing of any of the stock of the former company, was to have been heard this morning but was continued until this afternoon.

Two hotel licenses were transferred this morning when John Duggan was given the license originally granted Claude D. Anderson for the Columbia Hotel in Connellsville, and John Pliska getting the license of John Hertzog for the Emerson House at Emerson.

Attorney T. P. Jones this morning filed a petition for the freeing of the bridge across the Monongahela river at Belle Vernon. The court named John R. Ryan and Charles B. Frank as viewers. Viewers were appointed two years ago but one of them died and the case got out of court. A similar petition will be presented in the Washington county courts next Monday.

Carlo Amelio, who pleaded guilty to wife desertion, was sentenced to pay the costs and give the wife \$1 a week. John T. Young of Belle Vernon wants a divorce from his wife, Ida M. Young, who is now living in Washington county. Young names William McCann as co-defendant, preferring charges of infidelity.

Dr. J. A. Meehan is suing the Borough of Masontown for damages resulting from a change of grade. The court named the following viewers this morning: E. H. Riffe, Thomas W. Hoover, Job Deffenbaugh, Edward King and Edward McWilliams.

A decree was issued permitting the adoption of Ethel May Clark, the three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Clark, by James A. Wells and wife of West Brownsville. William was arrested for sending improper matter through the mails was given a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner W. J. Burgess this morning and committed to jail.

December criminal court closed yesterday. In the afternoon Judge Van Swearingen and Under imposed a number of sentences. The Connellsville pure food cases were in the list and in each of the three cases the court directed the payment of \$100 fine and costs. The defendants were Ernestine Powell, George Davis and W. H. Nealey of Connellsville. Miss Powell was a clerk.

William Herron of Gates, against whom was a surety charge and a desertion and non-support case, was sentenced to pay Mrs. Herron \$35 per month in the latter case, and directed to pay costs in the former. In default of \$100 bond Herron went to jail for the night.

Jacob H. Dunstan, of Connellsville, convicted of false pretense, was let off with payment of costs. Alex McDade, prosecuted for rape, but convicted of a misdemeanor, was fined \$100 and costs. Charles Springer, defendant in perjury prosecution, was sentenced to pay the mother \$10 ex- (Continued on Second Page.)

## A BAN ON SIDEWALK COASTING.

Burgess Evans Issues Order Against Sled Riding on Pavements Upon Complaint of Citizens.

Burgess Evans issued orders to the police this morning directing them to stop all sled riding on the pavements, particularly on the Hill district of the West Side. Complaints from that neighborhood have become numerous. The youngsters have the hill so smooth it takes a certain adeptness to mount the street these days. Some of the residents claim they can qualify to mount Mt. McKinley and look for Dr. Cook's records after they have

## W. C. LILLY IN CHICAGO.

Rev. J. E. Walker Meets and Talks With Pittsburgher.  
CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—William C. Lilly, mysteriously missing from Pittsburgh, was yesterday seen by Rev. James E. Walker, formerly of Pittsburgh, who knows him well. The minister engaged Lilly in conversation, but the latter walked away without giving any information regarding his movements or his location here. Thomas B. Murphy of Gary, Ind., and Miss Mary U. McCuskey of Carnegie, Pa., are to be married tomorrow afternoon by Rev. Walker, who was on his way to arrange for the ceremony when he encountered Mr. Lilly. Rev. Mr. Walker says he knew Mr. Lilly very well in Pittsburgh and that the latter made no attempt to conceal his identity.

## WILL TAKE UP THE BALLINGER ROW NEXT

Joint Committee of Congress Will Consider Pinchot Charges.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—A joint Congressional committee will investigate the Ballinger-Pinchot row in all of its ramifications. Senator Nelson of Minnesota, chairman of the Committee on Public Lands, will be at the head of the committee. The Senator talked with President Taft today. After he left the White House, the plan of organization and the scope of the investigation became known.

On top of the news which Senator Nelson brought from the White House was the emphatic statement of Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, denying that he had delivered an ultimatum to President Taft which read: "An investigation of my conduct in office, or my resignation from your administration."

Mr. Ballinger gives the impression in his interviews that all he asks is that the searchlight of investigation be turned on all of his acts as a public official.

## WILL NOT MAKE UP, DECLARES BROKAW

After Hearing Something About His Wife Last Friday His Heart Hardens.

MINNEOLA, L. I., Dec. 28.—Mrs. W. Gould Brokaw today listened attentively to the cross-examination of her husband, who denied the tone of his testimony on Friday morning he is eager for a reconciliation.

"Do you or do you not want to take her back?" asked Mr. Baldwin.

"Not since I found out certain things which I have learned since Friday," said the witness.

"But haven't you changed your mind a good many times?"

"She has," parried Brokaw. The witness declared his present arrangement is final.

Mr. Brokaw acknowledged that on one occasion he had proposed a divorce but that nothing had come of it when Mrs. Brokaw objected to the proposal.

## ALL ITALY MOURNS ON ANNIVERSARY OF QUAKE

Messina Disaster Happened Just a Year Ago Today—Day Generally Observed.

United Press Telegram.  
ROME, Dec. 28.—Telling bells, memorial services and a general display of crepe on the public buildings throughout Italy make the first anniversary of the earthquake which destroyed Messina and devastated Sicily and Calabria.

"The day is being generally observed and many gifts were made for the benefit of the thousands of survivors. The Naval League presented the Consuls of the United States, Russia, England, Germany, Spain and France bronze tablets of appreciation for their work during the time of the earthquake.

Skating at Reidmore.  
Skating at Reidmore has been popular the past week.

## WOMAN FOUND IN SNOW ALMOST FROZEN.

Lies in Unconscious Condition at Cottage State Hospital Where She Was Brought From Crossland Station on Sled by Two Men This Morning.

Nearly frozen to death as the result of exposure to the weather, an unknown German woman about 40 years of age was brought to the hospital this morning and is in a serious condition there. Her name is not known. She was found this morning near Crossland station, just beyond the West Yough bridge on the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad. From the appearance of the ground about her, she had been attacked by an epileptic fit, being subject to that ailment.

## BALLINGER ASKED FOR MINE DISASTER CAUSES

Cites Work of Pittsburg Station For Prevention and Rescue Work in Mines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The recent mine disaster at Cherry, Ill., inspired Senator Cullum of that State to offer a resolution, which the Senate adopted, calling upon the Secretary of the Interior for information as to the number of federal stations equipped with rescue apparatus and how many more were essential to properly safeguard life, the cause of mine disasters and what should be the action of the federal government to prevent or minimize them. In his reply made public last week, Secretary Ballinger tells something of the work of the station at Pittsburgh, and its four branches.

The principal station is at Pittsburgh accessible to the coal fields in Western Pennsylvania, northern Ohio and northern West Virginia. Its branches are at Knoxville, Tenn., Urbana, Ill. and Seattle. Mr. Ballinger recommends that other branches, one of them at some point near the boundary between southeastern Ohio, Western West Virginia and northeastern Kentucky, and another in the Pennsylvania anthracite regions. He estimates the additional cost at \$101,700 for the next fiscal year.

Secretary Ballinger says that as mines go deeper, gas becomes more abundant and correspondingly more dangerous and the number of disasters and loss of life increases, thus emphasizing the need for the work and its extension to prevention of other causes of fatalities than "explosions," to which the current appropriation limits it, though these are responsible for less than 15 per cent of the fatalities. He points out that the stations are necessarily devoted more largely to education than to rescue work and that as time goes on demonstration and preventive rather than rescue measures will increase in importance, so that most of the local stations can be abolished and the work of rescue and enforcement of preventive measures be left to local and State authorities.

## PRESIDENT TAFT AFTER GRAIN SPECULATORS

Says They Gamble in the Nation's Food and Clothing—Drastic Measures Urged.

United Press Telegram.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Desires Ballinger and the Nicaragua situation, today's session of President Taft and his Cabinet is considering the speculation in agricultural "futures." President Taft calls it gambling and is contemplating a special message to Congress recommending that such speculations be stopped.

An investigation has been made into the cotton speculation and grain is also being investigated. The President favors drastic measures. Representative Scott has already framed a bill denying the use of the mails to stock gamblers.

## A LIMIT TO PASSES ON FOREIGN ROADS

None Below Rank of Assistant General Manager May Get Annuals in Future.

Railroads all through the country are now considering the adoption of a recommendation that annual passes be no longer issued direct to officers and agents of other roads below the rank of assistant general passenger agent.

To the present, affirmative expressions have been received from all railroads on the question of adopting this step. It has been objected that representatives of so many eastern lines have charge jointly of both freight and passenger departments that action contemplating the suggested steps on the part of the passenger departments would be practically nullified by reason of the restriction applying to the freight department through which passes might be jointly issued.

It seems that unless restrictive measures are taken the indiscriminate issuance of these passes will go on even if the passenger departments are entirely in accord and it would not have the desired effect unless the freight departments also act on a similar recommendation. This is being called to the attention of the railroads.

Store Closed on Account of Death.  
Mace & Company's store is closed this afternoon on account of the death of a sister, Eva, of L. M. and Mark Mace, at Providence, R. I.

## "CROW" WOULD HIT HIS OWN AFFINITY

But Just Then Her Friend  
Wielded a Poker to Good  
Advantage.

## POLICE BREAK UP THE ROW

Burgess Evans Heats Tales of Woe From Trio of Dusky Dames Who Abused Defenseless Colored Gentlemen—All Soaked But Some Pay.

There was trouble in the negro quarter of Arch street last evening in which William "Crow" Hunter was the star performer. The row resulted in four arrests and a hearing before Burgess J. L. Evans last evening.

Carlo Morrell was entertaining at her home at the corner of Arch street and Orchard alley when Crow Hunter and Ella Fairfax, his affinity, became involved in an argument. Bitter words were passed and then the two resorted to violence. Hunter went after Ella in no gentle manner but was suddenly halted when Mary French, a colored girl, came between them and drew blood. Mary, like a true Amazon, refused to have her friend Ella abused.

The scrap assumed the proportions of a riot. The howling of the blood-begotten Crow reached Brimstone Corner and the ark of Officers Bull and Lowe. They answered the hurly call and arrived in time to see Hunter collapse in a corner. Bullman reigned in the disordered household and the officers took all of the inmates across to the battle in order that the guilty parties might not escape.

At the hearing before Burgess Evans last evening it developed that Carlo Morrell, although slightly injured, had been orderly in the extreme. She was permitted to go upon digging down in her sock for \$3.50. Mary French produced a five spot from a similar receptacle but Ella Fairfax and Hunter, the latter being the only member of the male species in the gathering, were unable to pay out and are doing 72 hours each.

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## MARIE LOUISE DIPPED IN WARM WATER TWICE

So Say Girl Hazards of Fairmont Normal School—Miss Taylor Not Hurt.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Dec. 28.—In an article bearing the significant caption, "The Half That Has Never Been Told," the girls who are alleged to have hazed Marie Louise Taylor because she "rooted" the wrong way, when the boys of the Fairmont Normal School were playing a game of football against the Davis and Elkins College team, have issued a statement. Miss Taylor is a student at the normal school. The statement says:

"About two days before the D. and E. game Miss Taylor was one of the most enthusiastic of a bunch of girls learning F. N. S. songs and yells. At the game, however, it was noticed that she wore a D. and E. sweater and gave out one lusty yell after another for the opposing team. No one cared, but in the evening some of the girls jeeringly said: 'We'll fix you now, Marie Louise.'"

"Miss Louise answered: 'Ha, do you think I'm afraid of you girls? You haven't nerve enough to duck me.' At 3:30 P. M. the majority of the girls journeyed back to Miss Taylor's room. The light was turned off and her hands were tied with a towel. Just at this moment the preceptress appeared on the scene and the girls were sent away. The preceptress scolded downheartedly and back the girls scamped. The door was soon opened and the girls carried Marie Louise to the bathroom. The report that she was 'nude' is positively false.

"Marie Louise was simply dropped down into the warm water twice, then two streaks of red chalk were made from the knees down. She was then wrapped in blankets and carried to her room where the wet clothing was removed. This was all done as a joke and was accepted as such by Marie Louise that night. The report that she suffered physically was built on sand. While 'fainting' that night, she smiled, plucked one girl and pulled another's hair."

## BAD WEATHER IN EAST IS HOLDING UP TRAINS

Traffic Still Delayed by Storm—Small Accident on Connellsville Division Today.

In spite of adverse weather conditions trains are moving on the Connellsville division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad in the best of shape. There has been no trouble on the main line as a result of the storm, although conditions in the east have resulted in numerous delays to through traffic.

The snow caused some delay on the Somerset & Cambria branch, it being necessary to clear away a big drift on that division which had built up for a time. Aside from this traffic has been moving steadily.

Through trains from the east are still being delayed by adverse conditions between New York and Washington.

Traffic was slightly delayed this morning on the Somerset & Cambria branch at Shamrock when an engine was damaged and the sill knocked off several freight cars when a passing freight sidetracked another freight on a siding there. The accident was not serious. No one was hurt and the delay resulting was but slight.

## PRINCIPAL AND TEACHER.

Miss Emma Moyer and Harvey Johns Married at Dunbar.

Miss Emma Moyer, teacher of Room No. 4 at the Furnace schools, Dunbar township, and Harvey Johns, principal of the Mason town public schools, were married Saturday afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage at Dunbar by Rev. W. E. Perkins, the pastor.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Moyer of Dunbar and is well known in and about Dunbar. Mr. Johns resides at South Connellsville and formerly taught in the Dunbar township schools.

Married in Cumberland.  
Springer Oliver Holland and Florence Lydia Little, both of Ohio, were married in Cumberland Saturday.

## FIENDISH MURDERS

Committed by An Attendant in French Institution.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Leon Thabaut is facing trial for what is believed to be the most gruesome series of murders ever committed in France. Thabauts had charge of a ward in an insane asylum.

He is an abstemious drinker and it is believed whenever he wanted to drink the liquor he killed a patient and bought the drink with the money paid for the extra work on account of the death.

The finding of an aged man who had been strangled led to an investigation. There has been a death every other day during the past fortnight in the asylum, all of which were strangulations.

## SLEIGHING IS GOOD, THE CUTTERS ARE OUT

Usual Mishaps Occur, But None of Them Serious—Mercury at Twenty Degrees.

The merry tinabulations of the sleigh bells continue as the snow has packed hard and firm, making the best sleighing that has been enjoyed here for several seasons past. The cold weather is keeping the snow in fine condition for sleighs. Mishaps have been many, mostly the result of driving skittish horses or attempting to make short turns with the sleighs. Misses Lillian Bradley and Nell Edwards were among those who were tossed into snow banks. They were spilled on Main street yesterday afternoon when the horse they were driving became frightened and ran off. Fortunately neither of them was seriously hurt.

The mercury this morning registered 20 degrees. It has remained below the freezing point for several days past. Yesterday morning the temperature was 21 rising to 28 in the evening.

## INSANE MOTHER TRIES TO BURN CHILDREN

Attempts to Club Them into Flame—She Had Started in An Out House.

United Press Telegram.  
CINCINNATI, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Mary Lipp, aged 38, today attempted to burn to death four of her eight children. They were saved by neighbors.

Mrs. Lipp became suddenly insane and set fire to an out house. She hurled a dog and many chickens into the blaze. She seized two children and attempted to club them into the fire. The woman fought the rescuers, but she was finally overpowered by the police and arrested on a charge of lunacy.

## PROF. DARBY RESIGNS.

Member of Waynesburg College Faculty Goes to Morgantown.

WAYNESBURG, Pa., Dec. 28.—Prof. Arleigh L. Darby, who for the past 10 years has filled the chair of Latin and French in Waynesburg College, will leave this week for Morgantown, W. Va., where he has accepted a position as instructor of French in the West Virginia University. Prof. Darby was graduated from Waynesburg College in 1899. Later he studied in Europe, completed a course in the university at Grenoble, France, and he also completed a course at the University of Chicago. For several years he has been at the head of the academic department of Waynesburg College and during the summer months has taught in the Miami College, Ohio.

## Fleming's Relatives Unknown.

As yet no relatives of Thomas Fleming, who died suddenly Saturday morning at his room on East Fairview avenue, have been located. The body is still at Funeral Director J. E. Smith's room, where it will likely be kept for several days.

Will Relieve Famine.  
When the present heavy snow melts it will greatly relieve the water famine affecting Western Pennsylvania.

Col. John W. Bassett Dead.  
Col. John W. Bassett, aged 76 years, and well known in Greensburg, died there yesterday.

## FLOATING ICE CLOGS PIPES.

Supply of River Water Shut Off for a While Yesterday Afternoon at Bluestone Station.

The floating ice in the river yesterday made trouble at the plant of the Connellsville Water Company near Bluestone when the intake pipes became clogged so badly that the supply of river water was cut off. It was necessary to reverse the pumps and force the ice away from the screened openings before the supply could be normal once more.

On this account the pressure in town was greatly reduced for a time yesterday but the water shortage was not serious. The slush ice caused considerable trouble at the plant. The intake pipes were kept clear as long as possible but the supply from the river finally ceased altogether. Then it was that the pumps were stopped. After the ice was forced away from the intake pumping began again.

Most of the flow of ice have come out of the river now and no further trouble is anticipated for the present.

## A NEW PRESIDENT FOR THE B. & O.

Daniel Willard of Burlington  
Will Succeed Oscar G.  
Murray.

## OTHER CHANGES TO COME, TOO

First Vice President Randolph and Likely Second Vice President Potter Will Leave Service With President Murray—Harriman Influence.

Oscar G. Murray will on December 31 retire from the presidency of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad and be succeeded by Daniel Willard, now second vice president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and in charge of the operations of that system.

Simultaneously with the retirement of Mr. Murray will come that of the first vice president of the B. & O., George F. Randolph, and there also is a report that George L. Potter, vice president and general manager of the road, will leave its service, too. Two men will be elected, it is said, to take up the work formerly in charge of Mr. Randolph. Charles S. Wright, formerly general freight agent of the Pittsburg & Western, now a part of the B. & O. system, and who for some time has been general traffic manager of the B. & O., with headquarters at Baltimore, is slated to become first vice president, and George M. Shriver, for a long time assistant to President Murray, will become the second vice president.

These changes, it is said, will be due to the influence of the Harriman interests, which have become a factor in the Baltimore & Ohio. Mr. Murray's regime was peaceful enough until these interests appeared. It is said that they demanded a higher efficiency in operation. In spite of the warning of a great rush in the traffic business, with the return of prosperity, it is reported that the Baltimore & Ohio did not act with the promptness required to meet the first march of business resumption. Although the company has since ordered heavily of cars and locomotives, it is pointed out, so that delivery is so far off that it will be a matter of serious concern to care for new business pending the arrival of the cars and locomotives now building.

President Murray is 65 years old. His successor is about 10 years his junior. Mr. Willard is distinctly an operating man. He was with the Baltimore & Ohio from 1900 to 1903. At that time he was assistant general manager. His good work in that capacity attracted the attention of J. J. Hill of the Great Northern, who had just secured control of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, and he induced Mr. Willard to go to that line as general manager, and from that position he was advanced to the second vice presidency.

Other reorganization plans, it is said, will be put in force as soon as the new executive heads take control of the Baltimore & Ohio, and not a few of the line officers have been making trips to headquarters to find out just where they stand with the new organization. Official announcement of the changes is expected to come from the B. & O. office in Baltimore on December 31.

## Officers and Teachers Meet.

The regular monthly business meeting of the officers and teachers of the United Presbyterian Sunday school was held last evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Kerr on South Pittsburg street. Business of a routine nature was transacted.

## Will Discuss Peace Terms.

BLUFFFIELD, Dec. 28.—(Special.) A joint conference of the commission representing Madrid and representatives of Provisional President Estrada has been fixed up for Saturday. Peace terms will be discussed.

## Coke Shipments Held Up.

Coke shipments in the Lower Connellsville region have been held up the past week owing to the heavy snow.

## The Social Calendar.

**TUESDAY.**—The Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church will meet at the home of Miss Emma Long at Johnston avenue. Mrs. Keil Long will entertain the L. L. Club at her home on First street, West Side. A meeting of the Officers' Board of the Christian Church will be held at 8 o'clock in the church.

**WEDNESDAY.**—The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church will meet at 2:30 o'clock in the church chapel. The annual election of officers will take place. The first review lesson of the Teachers' Training Class, recently organized by the Trinity Lutheran Sunday School, will be held in the church in connection with the regular prayer services. Rev. E. H. Burgess, the pastor, will have charge.

**THURSDAY.**—Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Wolf will give a reception at the parsonage of the Methodist Episcopal Church on South Pittsburgh street, in honor of all the young people of the church over 11 years of age. The regular meeting of the Knights of Pythias

will be held in Odd Fellows' Hall. **FRIDAY.**—The second annual military ball of Company D, Tenth Regiment, U. S. Army, will be held in the Armory. The affair promises to be the largest and most brilliant social function ever held in Conneltsville. The second annual supper of the Men's Bible Class of the Christian Church will be held in the dining room of the church. J. L. Gans is president of the class, and Rev. C. M. Watson, pastor, will give a reception at the United Presbyterian parsonage in honor of the members of the church congregation. The Ladies Aid Society of the First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. A. A. Weatherill. The annual reception of the Y. M. C. A. will be held at the Y. M. C. A. The regular meeting of the Dames of Malta will be held in Malta Hall.

**SATURDAY.**—Rev. and Mrs. B. Frank White will entertain at a reception at the United Presbyterian parsonage in honor of the children of the church.

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penses and \$1.50 per week until the child is five years of age.

William Collier, of Conneltsville, was given until Friday to decide whether to plead guilty to carrying concealed weapons or stand trial. He entered a plea, and through counsel, asked to be let off upon payment of his costs. The court stated that if his story is true he should go free and suggested a jury trial.

Clair Stillwagon, of Conneltsville, filed an answer Monday, telling why the judgment he secured against Thomas L. Krush and Anna M. Krush should not be opened and the defendant, Anna Krush, let into a defense. Mrs. Krush declared that she was not a party to the judgment, but merely signed the note as surety for her husband; also that the note was given without valuable consideration. Stillwagon denies this and contends that Mrs. Krush was not surety, but one of the makers of the note and that the proceeds went into the business in which she was interested, and that she shared in the profits. The note was for \$2,500 given April 13, 1901. Stillwagon admits payments of \$1,500 and is ready to credit the same.

Declaring that she had a just defense to the desertion suit of her husband, Joel G. Yoho, Mrs. Sarah B. Yoho, of Perryopolis, has secured a rule on him to show why he should not pay her \$75 counsel fees and expenses. She not only denies his allegations in her petition, but avers that he himself is guilty of deserting her, as shown by the court records, as he was convicted and is now paying her \$2 per week.

An echo of the sale of the Fair-chance hotel and the resulting litigation was sounded in court Monday when the West Penn Electric Company presented a petition asking that a light bill be taxed as part of the legal expenses accruing while the property was in the hands of the Sheriff, James H. O'Hara and John M. Rainage, owners of the building, leased a room for a barber shop and the shop remained in operation after the hotel was closed the light bill amounting to \$55.12. "The West Penn Electric Company," said the Sheriff took charge of the property it was agreed that the light should continue and be charged to the expense. After argument the petition was granted.

The will of the late Antonio Rieglano, an Italian property holder of Dunbar township, was probated Monday evening, leaving his wife, Maria, the personal property and the use of the real estate during her life time.

Order of sale granted authorizing the disposition of property of the late Martha Elischer of Upper Tyrone township, to be sold by Lewis Elischer, executor, at either public or private sale. The decedent, in her will, directed that the estate be converted into cash. There is valuable property in Jeannette, Westmoreland county, and also real estate in Upper Tyrone township.

## DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT.

Furnished by Lyman H. Howe's Pictures at Soloson.

That was a nice sightseeing trip Lyman H. Howe gave at the Soloson theatre last night. It ranged from France to the North Pole. The exhibition was better than a good many shows that have been here this season. The Howe pictures are above the average. The scenes are exceptionally interesting while the humorous films presented at intervals kept the audience in an uproar.

Special interest was shown in the aeroplane views, which were decidedly unique. The Howe pictures may return again this season and they are well worth the price.

### Stedding Party.

A studding party composed of 11 couples from Conneltsville was driven to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rush at Dawson last evening where several hours were pleasantly spent in various social amusements. Before leaving for their homes a well appointed luncheon was served by Mrs. Rush.

### Irate Husband Fights.

**PITTSBURG, Dec. 28.**—(Special.)—In a battle in the home of James Kelly this morning Thomas Trainor, a travelling salesman, was fatally injured. Kelly and his wife are under arrest. Trainor's familiarity with Mrs. Kelly caused the trouble.

Have you tried our classified ads? Only one cent a word.

## DOGS OF THE ARCTIC.

Polar Achievements of Cook and Peary Due to Their Help.

It was, after all, the dog that made possible the finding of the north pole. Without the assistance of this valuable companion, this hardy and willful holer, man would today know little of the frozen north. In his book "New Land" Captain Sverdrup says: "If it may be said that polar research without sleds is extremely difficult, it may be safely said that without dogs it is impossible, and so far they are right who say that the question of reaching the pole is simply and solely one of dogs."

Whether to the south or the north pole, no voyage has been planned



ONE TYPE OF HUSKY DOG.

without counting upon the dog as an important if not a vital factor, and no explorer has ever returned from his trip into the regions of eternal ice without paying a tribute to the value and devotion of the dog. It is this matter of food that makes the dog the one and only animal the polar explorer is able to use to advantage. Had the horse been possible or the reindeer easily available the necessity of carrying food for them—corn, oats and fodder—would prove an insuperable difficulty. But the dog is carnivorous; he feeds on blubber, walrus skin, fish, bear or musk ox—food that is to be found all along the journey to the pole—or he can feed on the carcasses of his fellow.

His tractable character and the combined strength of an obedient pack, together with his auto solution of the food problem, render him the obvious, simplest and practically only answer to the question of polar transportation.

### DRIVEN INSANE.

Railroad Man Is Removed to an Asylum.

**PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.**—(Special.)—B. H. Ball, Second Vice President and Freight Traffic Manager of the Reading Railroad, suddenly became insane in his office today and was removed to an asylum.

Worry over demands to keep freight moving during the recent storm is believed to have been responsible for his condition.

### Seven Children Burned.

**DUBOIS, Pa., Dec. 28.**—(Special.)—The bodies of seven children were recovered today from the ruins of the home of Steve Brenosky, near here, which was destroyed by fire last night. Their ages range from two to 12 years.

### PERSONAL.

Albert Friedman was called to his home in Pittsburgh last evening by the illness of his mother.

Mrs. C. W. Simpson and baby are home from Wheeling, W. Va., where they were the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. L. C. Stubb.

Miss Gertrude Mudding went to Pittsburgh this morning to visit relatives for several days.

Miss Margaret Hynde of Scottsdale, was calling on friends here last evening.

Have you a shish? If not, see Schell House Co.

Mrs. Anuth King is ill at her home in Scottsdale.

Miss Emma Planigan went to Pittsburgh this morning to visit relatives.

Dr. John Dixon and Joseph Dixon went to Meyersdale this morning to visit their brother, James Dixon, for a few days.

Mrs. Eugene Wetmore of Mt. Pleasant, Pa., Mrs. C. B. Lane and son, Harry, of North Pittsburgh street, went to Rockwood this morning to visit relatives for a few days.

Miss Laura Lane went to Pittsburgh this morning to visit Miss Ethel Seckler.

James and Lewis Rappaport spent the holidays with their parents in Pittsburgh.

Karl Reichenberger and sister returned home last evening. They witnessed

J. B. Dodson, in "The House Next Door," presented at the Nixon.

Charles Moore spent Christmas with his parents in Pittsburgh.

Edward A. May of Monaca, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. May, of South Hill street.

Miss Nannie Lou of New Wilmington, Pa., arrived here yesterday to visit relatives for several days.

Mrs. C. P. Shiley of South Conneltsville, is visiting relatives in Pittsburgh.

Miss Anna Newberry of Cottage avenue, was the guest of friends in Pittsburgh over Sunday.

Mrs. A. B. Stuyche of New Brighton, is the guest of Mrs. W. A. Edie, North Prospect street.

Agnes A. P. Clark and daughter, Miss Harriet, are home from Pittsburgh, where they were the guests of Attorney and Mrs. C. M. Roemer over Christmas.

A baby boy arrived yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Barnes in Pittsburgh. Mrs. Barnes was formerly Miss Jeanne McHugh of Conneltsville.

Miss Florence Goldsmith has returned home from Pittsburgh, where she was the guest of her brother, Dr. Milton Goldsmith.

White Elephant flour can't be had at any price. \$1.50 large sack, at East End Grocery, and Hixon & Lytle, West Side.

Dr. G. P. Donahoe returned home yesterday afternoon from Pittsburgh.

Mrs. S. D. Woods went to Pittsburgh yesterday morning to visit friends for a few days.

Miss Ella Story of Luttrell, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Story, of North Pittsburgh street.

John F. W. Hixson, of Conneltsville, has returned home after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kaufman, of the West Side.

Rev. R. E. Calver of the Methodist Protestant Church, is visiting relatives at Adrian, Mich.

E. C. Hester of the West Side, is recovering from a cold here yesterday.

C. B. Critchfield of Pittsburgh, was calling on friends here yesterday. Mr. Critchfield was formerly a teacher in the West Side School of Uniontown.

Miss Maude Montgomery returned home Monday from a visit with relatives in Pittsburgh.

Miss Louie Gilmore of Uniontown, visited her mother, Mrs. N. T. Gilmore, yesterday.

Miss Nora Murphy of Scottsdale, was calling on friends here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Augustin and baby of Addison, Pa., were in town yesterday on their return home from a visit with friends and relatives in Uniontown.

Misses Margaret and Jennie Davis of New the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Munk.

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Mrs. J. Vance, of the West Side, over Sunday.

W. Weaver of the West Side, was in Pittsburgh yesterday.

Mrs. R. E. Brown of Confluence, has returned home after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Nancy Blosser.

Mrs. Stanley Nelson and the daughter of Morgantown, arrived here today to visit the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Gans, of North Pittsburgh street.

Mrs. William Hixson and daughter are visiting friends in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Samuel Smith of Dunbar, was calling on friends here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Brallier of Scottsdale, were guests of Misses Elizabeth and Edna Smith of Dawson, Sunday.

White Elephant flour, the best mill's flour at poor man's price. \$1.50 large sack, at East End Grocery, and Hixon & Lytle, West Side.

Miss Edna Scott of Pittsburgh, was calling on friends in Scottsdale and Conneltsville Sunday.

Harry Hamilton of Altoona, spent Christmas with friends in Scottsdale.

Miss Loma Cole and Miss Rhoda Robinson went to Perryopolis this afternoon to be the guests of Miss Ruth Lane over night.

Miss Grace Miller of Oklahoma, is visiting at the home of her uncle, Spauld Frank Miller, of the South Side.

Misses Alice and Edna, of the East, for about two weeks.

Oliver Goldsmith was at Mitchell, Pa., yesterday on business.

Alma Bell and Gertrude Brennan left this morning for a visit with relatives in Johnston.

Charles Cull went to Pittsburgh this morning to visit friends for a few days.

Attorneys E. C. Higbee and F. E. Younkens were in Uniontown yesterday on business.

Miss Anastasia Clifford of Uniontown, spent Sunday with friends here.

Miss Bertha Parker of Uniontown, is the guest of Mrs. Charles Butternick.

Mrs. Mary Turner and the Meritt family, of Washington, D. C., are visiting friends in Conneltsville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jones, Mrs. Clifford and Mrs. E. E. Myers of Wheeling, Miss Grace Jones of Scottsdale, and Mrs. John Nichols of West New York, were guests of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome McCormick of West Pittsburgh street.

Mrs. Frances Leonard and baby of Uniontown, are the guests of relatives in the West Side.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.** Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVES' signature is on each box. 25c.

**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**

The following persons were registered yesterday and today at the local hotels:

**At Arlington.**

J. J. Ingle, New York City; J. Cort, Baltimore; R. P. Chalmers, Pittsburgh; J. L. Sherrick, Scottsdale; C. J. Asen, Uniontown; J. H. Glass, Pittsburgh; Royer, Greensburg; T. G. Burke, Uniontown; E. C. Myers of Wheeling; John Nessler, Baltimore; G. M. Van Livenburg, New York; D. Pezouli, East Liverpool, O.; D. O. Bowman, Elm, O.; N. E. Briscoe, Morgantown; Francis Rocks, Sunshine; J. J. McAlister, Pittsburgh; J. Shaw, Pittsburgh; Charles Williamsburg; T. Black, Morgantown; E. F. White, Baltimore; D. Ornell, Pittsburgh; M. J. Chawson, Uniontown; J. F. Robling, Pittsburgh; S. Smith, Pittsburgh; W. E. Ransburg, Boston; James Lincoln, Pittsburgh.

**Youth House.**

William Dray, Scottsdale; M. P. Galling, Pittsburgh; Roy Carlin, Wilkes Barre; Robert Young, Pittsburgh; A. Knox, Prince Albert, Can.; C. R. Morton, Prince Albert, Can.; J. B. Knox, Vanderbilt; S. Stephens, Pittsburgh; D. A. Dubois, Baltimore; B. V. Wilber, Pittsburgh; J. B. Simpson, Pittsburgh; R. J. Craig, Pittsburgh; William Dwyer, Baltimore; R. W. Frazier, Mexico City; P. A. Sticker, Indian Creek; W. H. Chambers, McKeesport; N. H. Humphreys, Jr., Pittsburgh.

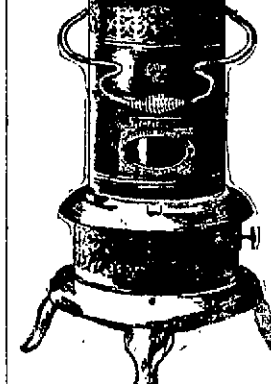
**Wynona.**

Roy Carleton, New York; C. P. Angel, Pittsburgh; M. B. Brands, Philadelphia; G. O. Gibson, Uniontown; W. H. Sturgeon, Uniontown; H. D. Hudson, Uniontown; Jacob Kaufman, Johnston; M. L. Kohler, Mt. Clemens, Mich.; C. J. Fenton, Mt. Clemens, Mich.; C. N. Wilkey, Uniontown; G. S. Burk, Baltimore; L. Holtzgrover, Baltimore; J. A. Murdock, Pittsburgh.

**Hay House.**

E. E. Campbell, Southfield; J. W. Raper, Baltimore; G. L. King, Kilmarnock; H. N. Cannell, Charksburg, W. Va.; C. W. Getman, Morgantown; H. G. Nor, Uniontown.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS WILL MEET THURSDAY

Convention of No. 2 District Will Be Held in the Methodist Protestant Church.

The first district convention of District No. 2 Fayette County Sunday School Association will be held in the Methodist Protestant Church, Conneltsville, Thursday, December 30, afternoon and evening. District No. 2 now includes all the schools of Conneltsville, West Side, South Conneltsville and Snyderstown practically all in Conneltsville.

The Fayette county Sunday school year books will be distributed at this time. Following is the program:

Afternoon Session.

2:00.—Devotional service, Rev. R. C. Miller, Conneltsville.

2:30.—"The Outlook for the Elementary Department," Miss Amy J. Porter, Scottsdale.

3:00.—"The Home Department," E. S. Martin, Conneltsville.

3:30.—"The Trained Teacher," Prof. J. T. King, Southfield.

4:00.—Open Parliament, J. S. McKee, Conneltsville.

Evening Session.

7:30.—Devotional service, Rev. Spangler, Conneltsville.

8:00.—"A Message from the County Association," E. S. Forsyth, Dawson.

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TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 28, 1909.

THE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE  
AND THE COUNTY PRESS.

The Uniontown Institute is a good  
thing for Uniontown. We don't blame  
the Uniontown papers for defending it,  
promoting it, advertising it, putting it  
in their list of their items, their  
scope; and so far as we were  
concerned they were entirely welcome  
to it.

The Uniontown Institute is designed  
chiefly for the benefit of Uniontown,  
and incidentally, for the alleged  
purpose of promoting the technical  
knowledge of the teachers. Aside from  
the teachers and directors, whose duty it  
is to attend the institute, and to pa-  
tronize the lecture course, few people  
are interested in the details of the  
institute. The Courier gave the insti-  
tute all the space its news value de-  
manded. Our columns were crowded.  
We had no room for the long-winded  
effusions of amateur "staff" corre-  
spondents.

The Fayette county newspapers do  
not give up as much of their space to  
other institutes which discuss tech-  
nical matters. The directors and the  
lawyers don't get columns of space when  
they don't talk about medicine and  
law; and even the mining experts are  
not fully copied when they offer prac-  
tical suggestions in their particular  
line, though much of the knowledge  
thus imparted is invaluable in the  
preservation of life and limb. It has  
a large human interest, not to mention  
its special interest to those who risk  
their lives daily in the sunless under-  
ground depths.

In short, the institute item is a back  
number from 'way back. A quarter of  
a century ago, when we dwelt far from  
the crowd and lived the tranquil life  
that developed little in the live news  
line, the teachers' institute was one of  
the annual excitements, especially in  
Uniontown where little was trans-  
pired the remainder of the year. It  
became a natural habit for the weekly  
newspapers to "fill up" on the insti-  
tute, especially in view of the fact that  
among the teachers were always very  
few young men and women who were  
filled with the importance of writing  
for the press, seeing their thoughts in  
print and getting their names attached  
to them, a feeling which, it may be ob-  
served in passing, hasn't itself passed  
with the passing years.

There are some newspapers remain-  
ing in Fayette county who cherish the  
old custom as a sacred thing, who hug  
it to their breasts as a precious heri-  
tage, who love to fill up on it. The  
Uniontown papers, we repeat, have a rea-  
son for doing so, but we know of no  
such excuse for a Connelville paper.

The Courier has no quarrel with the  
institute, nor with its promoters, nor  
with its members, nor with its bene-  
ficiaries. Its mission is to print all the  
news that is interesting to its clients,  
and to comment honestly and intelli-  
gently on men and things; and in the  
performance of its daily duties it  
makes no exception of institutions.

RELIEF FOR MINER  
AND OPERATOR.

The Johnstown Journal suggests  
that mine operators should provide a  
fund for the erection and maintenance  
of a house for the widows and orphans  
of miners who lose their lives in the  
service of their employers.

The proposition of the propriety of  
consolidation, but it is perhaps impossi-  
ble of consummation without the inter-  
vention of the State. The proposed tax  
on coal for State purposes was not a  
popular proposition, especially in  
view of the fact that the State was  
not in need of it; but perhaps there  
would be no serious objections to a  
tax on coal for the purpose of estab-  
lishing a relief fund for those who are  
injured in the mines, or for the widows  
and orphans of those who perish  
there, and possibly for the support of  
such an institution as that suggested  
by our Johnstown contemporary.

The law establishing such a fund,  
however, should provide that it oper-  
ate as a bar to damage suits against  
the mine owner, unless it is shown  
that the accident was directly due to  
the willful negligence of the latter.

Such a law would be a relief to the  
operator as well as the miner.

The plea, moreover, is not entirely  
new nor strange.

ENROLL YOURSELVES IN  
THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The Chamber of Commerce of Great-  
er Connelville has already produced  
some tangible results in the work of  
establishing manufactures here and  
lulling the town with new industrial  
life, but we fear that its efforts are  
not yet appreciated as they should be.  
Successful towns in other sections  
have been so either because of the ac-  
cident of circumstances, that is to say  
they have been advantageously locat-  
ed or have happened in the line of  
greater progress, or because they have  
organized an active civic body such as  
our Chamber of Commerce represent-  
ing practically to a man the business  
and property interests of the commu-  
nity.

The Chamber of Commerce of Con-  
nelville should have a greater mem-  
bership. It has at the present time  
about 150 members. There are up-  
wards of 500 men in town who should  
be enrolled as members. The dues are  
not great; the advantages of the or-  
ganization are many and direct; they  
should be more generally appreciated  
and more generously supported.

Connellville has superior natural  
resources. We stand in our own light  
if we do not exploit and urge them.  
The Chamber of Commerce has under-  
taken this important work, and its  
officers and directors are doing it un-  
selfishly and earnestly. Every citizen  
of substance should lend them the  
small measure of financial assistance;  
and the greater need of moral en-  
couragement that is contained in the  
maintenance of a membership in the  
organization.

The time to join in this good work is  
right now. Get on the roll without  
further delay. Come to the meetings.  
Get a move on. It is everybody's busi-  
ness to help in the work of Connelville's  
conservation, not to say her  
personal salvation.

The esteemed Uniontown Herald is  
getting almost as serious-minded as its  
brother, The Courier. Perhaps it is  
the force of association. There is a sus-  
picion that all their jokes are written  
with the scissors.

Automobiles are now taxed with  
reference to their horse-power, which is  
to say with reference to their value,  
which is to say equitably.

Patton is trying to corner the corn  
market. What will happen to the Dem-  
ocratic party next?

The railroad strike in the Northwest  
won't stay settled.

The baseball fans are shivering over  
the threat of no local league next  
summer.

The merger spirit is spreading into  
Somerset county.

Some of the slippery slides of the  
small boy are dangerous coils.

Doctor Cook seems to be an inac-  
cessible as the North Pole used to be,  
before it was so numerous and sim-  
ultaneously discovered.

The police plucked some West Side  
kisses, and then plucked the owner.

The jailbirds and the turkeybirds  
had a reunion on Christmas.

The merger was complete and intensely  
enjoyable, especially on the part of the  
jailbirds.

Coon Hollow has been shot up again.

Basketball has almost put the proud  
spirit of Uniontown on the bum.

Bersentown's journalism does not  
always cover scientific disturbances in  
Mad Island. All's quiet on the Yough  
today.

The Morning Glory says it has no  
correspondents who contain. It is  
achieved to print. Political corre-  
spondents excepted, of course.

As Chairman of the Printing Com-  
mittee, Congressman Cooper gives evi-  
dence of being right on the job. He  
probably does not correct all the proofs,  
but he proves some of the printing to  
need correction.

In the death of William Clark Magee,  
his friends have lost a charming com-  
panion and the Connelville coke trade  
a familiar and forceful figure.

The value of mid-season advertising  
seems to be faintly appreciated in Con-  
nelville.

Mississippi has no lack of Senatorial  
backslaps.

Church riots are not new, but thanks  
to civilization they were seldom.

The China-Jap football game in San  
Francisco wound up in the good old  
football way.

Zelaya is on the run.

The High Water Mark says we are  
poorly. The Evening Echo says we are  
poorish. The Connelville Next says we  
are peevish. The combination always  
sinks the same tune.

The South Connelville incorpora-  
tion case is not yet concluded, but soon  
will be. In the meantime, South Con-  
nelville sentiment has undergone a  
change.

The Victoria is victor at last.

Forgery by substitution is a rather  
unique criminal charge, but it will be  
ugly enough if proven.

Danah's Christmas was hospital as  
well as hospitable.

Jumping board bills is a dangerous  
acrobatic feat.

Vacant coke ovens are warm winter  
quarters, in fact, they are often hot  
propositions.

The blizzard season is upon us.

Old-fashioned Winter was a trifle  
too much for the Atlantic Coast and  
some of our trans-Atlantic railway  
systems.

The swearing-off season is close at  
hand. Better just quit and swear not  
at all.

Give the hostess a chance to make  
good and watch him fade away.



JUST IN PASSING.

CHAT WITH OUR  
CONTEMPORARIES.

The Lathrop Bulletin hints that the  
Pennsylvania railroad will put on five  
new trains with the beginning of the  
year.

Mount Pleasant ought to make an-  
other effort to demonstrate its claim  
to at least one of these new trains.

The Monaca Independent calls  
upon the Town Council to compel prop-  
erty owners who have hitherto in-  
sulted to do so to lay their sidewalks.

Monaca is a new town and has  
spent much money for grading and  
paving its streets. Where a street is  
so improved the sidewalks should be  
made to comport therewith. If the  
order of the Town Council is neglected  
there is a way to enforce it.

The Lathrop Bulletin tells us that  
the man who can reduce waste to a  
minimum is the man who will be suc-  
cessful in business.

And the lady who can reduce waste  
to a minimum will be successful in  
society.

STATEMENT OF  
CIRCULATION.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, COUNTY  
OF FAYETTE, ss. I, Notary Public within  
and for said County and State, personally  
appeared, who being duly sworn accord-  
ing to law, do hereby certify that the  
number of copies printed during the  
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lications, was as follows:

Publication	Total	Daily	Average
1909	1,707,000	5,500	15,000
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February	131,100	4,000	13,000
March	144,500	4,500	14,000
April	144,500	4,500	14,000
May	144,500	4,500	14,000
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Month	Total	Daily	Average
1909	1,707,000	5,500	15,000
January	144,700	4,500	14,000
February	131,100	4,000	13,000
March	144,500	4,500	14,000
April	144,500	4,500	14,000
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November	144,500	4,500	14,000
December	144,500	4,500	14,000

Totals: 1,707,000 5,500 15,000

Sworn to and subscribed before me on  
this 27th day of December.

J. H. KURTZ, Notary Public.



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The Man—And have you the heart to  
refuse me?  
The Maid—No, I gave it to another  
man.

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ONE CENT A WORD.

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WANTED—TWO STOUT DELIVERY  
boys. Apply MUIR'S MEAT MARKET,  
318 North Pittsburg Street. 27dec28

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eral housework. Apply MISS C. H.  
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housework. Apply E. M. LEVY'S  
CLOTHING STORE, 128 West Main  
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two years at 8% with liberal bonus.  
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Address: THOMAS S. HENDERSON, care  
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WANTED—POSITION AS GOOD  
boiler or fireman, or power house man,  
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Give references. Address: S. H. BURNER,  
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automobile business in mail and re-  
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pair men. We make you expert in ten  
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Big, brick plant, demand for men  
great, reasonable, write for particu-  
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AUTOMOBILE INSTITUTE, Rochester,  
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FOR RENT—HOUSE ON EAST GIB-  
son Avenue. All conveniences. Inquire  
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FOR RENT—SIX-ROOM HOUSE,  
reception hall and bath, all modern  
conveniences. Inquire 410 EAST  
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FOR SALE—A PERFECT FITTING  
sized or your money back. DAVE  
COHEN, TAILOR. 12

FOR SALE—LOT IN SOUTH CON-  
nelville, near Gibson school house.  
Call TRI-STATE PHONE 250 28dec17

DISPENSE THE COLD WEATHER  
we are filling up lumber in our yard  
to meet the coming season. We have  
just unloaded a car of hemlock, pine,  
spruce, fir, etc., etc., etc., etc., etc.,  
and have on the siding a car of good  
hemlock, spruce, fir, etc., etc., etc.,  
of yellow pine, a large car of yellow  
poplar siding and building lumber.  
Call and see us at the YOUGHIOUGH-  
PENNY LUMBER YARD, 17th Street,  
West Side. 27dec28

Found.  
FOUND—OLD HAT MADE NEW.  
HAI-M, GRAHAM & CO.

Lost.  
LOST—EYEGHOP. RESTORED BY  
properly fitted glasses. \$2.00 to \$25.00.  
GRAHAM & CO.

LOST—MUFF, ON STREET CAR,  
between Scotland and Connelville, on  
December 15. Finder will please re-  
turn to COURIER OFFICE and receive  
reward. 27dec28

LOST—FRIDAY EVENING, bet-  
ween Highland Corner and Progress  
street, or Main street, a diamond ring  
and silver purse. Reward if left at  
COURIER OFFICE. 28dec28

LOST—IN CONNELLSVILLE, LONG  
red pocketbook containing money, bank  
deposit slips and other valuables. Re-  
ward for return of book and con-  
tents. R. S. MURRAY, Indian Creek,  
Pa. 27dec28

To Loan.  
TO LOAN, FROM \$1,000 TO \$100,000,  
on first mortgage approved security.  
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Dawson, Pa. 17dec14-odd

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Sale, Loans for Rent, Money to Loan,  
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who is trying to do business  
without advertising is winking  
at Dame Fortune through blue  
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winking, but she doesn't. This  
paper is a good advertising  
medium.

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129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street,  
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## WEATHER FORECAST.

For Western Pennsylvania—Local  
shows today; light to moderate west  
winds.

Suit  
Department  
Clean-Up

All Ladies' Coats and  
Suits, all Misses' Coats  
and Suits and all  
Children's Coats to  
be closed out at

## ONE-THIRD OFF

On Monday morning, December  
27th we will inaugurate a gen-  
eral clean-up sale including our en-  
tire lines of Ladies' Coats and  
Suits, Misses' Coats and Suits  
and Children's Coats. Among  
these will be found the very best  
styles, newest shades and most  
popular materials being shown  
anywhere. While the winter sea-  
son has only fairly begun we are  
making this special inducement  
to clear our racks before stock-  
taking and to let in complete readi-  
ness for Spring. Note the follow-  
ing items:

## Ladies' Suits.

While our Suit business this  
season went far beyond our ex-  
pectations we still have an attrac-  
tive lot in all sizes of the medium  
and better class suits. Suits that  
show care and good judgment in  
buying, made of plain and fancy  
serges, broadcloths, diagonals and  
novelties, plain or slightly trim-  
med with braids or buttons and  
lined throughout with high grade  
linings in keeping with the better  
grade of garments. Styles are all  
this season's—either fitted or  
semi-fitted and possess that grace  
and style so characteristic of  
Dunn's modern wear garments.  
Prices range from \$15.00 to \$45.  
On sale now at

## ONE-THIRD OFF.

## Ladies' Coats.

Neat fitted and semi-fitted  
black and plain colored effects  
with or without trimming and light  
and dark mixtures either fitted or  
semi-fitted storm coats elegantly  
tailored with plain or plaid  
skirts and large buttons. Our  
special coat sale affords an un-  
usual opportunity to procure a de-  
cisively stylish and up-to-date gar-  
ment at a big savings. Prices  
range from \$10.00 to \$35.00.

## ONE-THIRD OFF.

## One Piece Dresses.

All that is left of these will be  
closed out at a liberal savings.  
They are of serge, broadcloth and  
novelties, especially fine fitting  
and plainly made. They are dis-  
tinctly refined in appearance and  
are marked to sell at \$10 to \$40.  
All are now

## ONE-THIRD OFF.

Misses' Suits  
and Coats.

Shown in all the seasons best  
colorings and styles and made of  
serges, diagonals and novelty  
materials. We are offering at  
this sale the very newest effects  
of this season ranging in price  
from \$5.00 to \$25.00 at just

## ONE-THIRD OFF.

## Children's Coats.

Shown in attractive colors, plain  
or mixed and trimmed with gilt  
and fancy buttons, and self trim-  
ming. Ages range from 6 to 14  
years. Prices from \$4.00 to \$12.  
now

## ONE-THIRD OFF.

## DUNN'S CASH STORES.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.  
129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street,

## REDUCED PRICES

We are offering all our holiday goods at greatly  
reduced prices. To those who were unable to secure  
their



## Time for Groninger to Wake Up And Get Towns for League Circuit.

Unless there is a greater display of activity on the part of President J. D. Groninger of the Pennsylvania & West Virginia League than there has been in the past the prospects are beautifully bright for landing Connelville at the opening of the season with a baseball team and no league to put it in. President Groninger, to date, has apparently been exerting his efforts towards preventing the Virginia Valley league from annexing Parkersburg and one or two other towns, instead of going after a compact circuit closer home.

There are just grounds for the local baseball fans to be slightly peeved at Groninger. It has not been so long ago that, while still holding his present position, he was negotiating for a West Virginia State league, evidently with the intention of leaving the Pennsylvania teams out in the cold, cold world. Emancipation from the West Virginia end of the circuit would probably be the best thing that could happen to the teams up this way.

It is an open secret that Tom Haymond of Fairmont runs the Pawva league. It was Haymond, according to report, who compiled the "official" averages of the season, and what Haymond says goes. Haymond is a mighty nice fellow, a thorough sportsman and square, but if Tom is going to run the league what is the use of having a President? Jimmy Groninger may have earned his salary keeping the remnants of the league together at the tail end of last season. There is no intention to rob him of just credit, but if Jimmy would only come to the front with some assurance that he is really trying to land a good league for 1910, it would make the baseball cranks up this way feel a whole lot better.

It is a sure bet that neither Connelville or Uniontown will enliven the Parkersburg, even if the claims of the Virginia Valley league to that city are disallowed by the National Commission. Better have Cumberland than Parkersburg. It is a cinch that Charlesburg will not be in the running, since Sunday baseball has been tabooed, and whether Millionaire McGraw of Grafton is willing to play the angel again next season is problematical. The only sure things on the circuit are Connelville and Fairmont and possibly Uniontown. In Connelville prospects are bright for the greatest season ever. The Uniontown backers will likely swallow their usual dose of losses. The Fairmont Coal Company can be depended upon to back Haymond and the team there.

Good advice to Mr. Groninger would be to look up Washington, Greensburg, Latrobe, or other towns in this vicinity, if he is bent upon not holding a conference with the Central O. & P. and Ohio State League Presidents relative to redistricting the circuit.

As to the suggestion of The Morning Herald that Groninger should look for a town to take Connelville's place, it is only justice to this misguided sporting editor to say that he has been rendered non compos mentis as a result of the remarkable ability of the Uniontown basketball team never to win a game.

being made there, in the many departments, each with a laboratory independent of all the others. The courteous treatment accorded visitors is one of the most pleasant features of the station.

Near a Christmas Gift.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Newcomer are waiting over the arrival of their first born, which came near being brought by Santa Claus instead of the Stork. The youngster, which weighed nine and a half pounds and arrived on Sunday and mother and child are getting along nicely.

## A CHRISTMAS POEM BY CAPT. BALSLEY

Tells in Verse the Delights of Yuletide in the Old Home.  
J. R. Balsley of the West Side, a Civil War veteran, writing to his brother Joe of Indianapolis who was a Captain in the 27th Indiana Regiment, telling him about the old home, that is still standing on East Main street where they two and 11 other brothers and sisters (now dead) spent their childhood days, winds up his Christmas letter with the following lines:

Do you mind the good doughnuts our Mother would make and the rich fruit cake  
The juicy mince pie and the rich fruit cake  
For us kids—at the glad Christmas times?  
The red rumbo apples, and pippins so mellow,  
For us kids—at the glad Christmas times?  
The round black walnuts long buttered and brown,  
With shell back hickory nuts well picked down  
For us kids—at the glad Christmas times?  
The striped stick candy, wrapped kisses so sweet,  
And everything else that was proper and meet  
For us kids—at the glad Christmas times?

There were Father and mother heading the list,  
When John then David appeared in their midst.  
Lib, Yantz and Daniel were not far behind,  
With Kelt and good Sarah so gentle and kind.  
Joe the brave Captain who is living still,  
Then Christian who loved to run a fun mill,  
George the good boy who nothing bad done,  
And dear Sister Kate now long since gone.

Then Rob called Robinson, Robbie and Bob  
With another named Weiner next came on the job.  
Then the Stork brought Sammy and wrote on the door  
"I will bring Dennis, but not any more."  
There is naught on earth that has given more joy  
Than the bright happy days when I was a boy,  
Just a kid—at the glad Christmas times.

## RESIGNS POSITION.

Coke Man Leaves Hostetter Company to Go to Virginia.

Charles MacDonald, general superintendent of the Hostetter-Connelville Coal & Coke Company, has tendered his resignation to Thomas Lynch, President of the H. C. F. Coke Company. MacDonald will assume the general management of the Connelville Coal & Coke Company of Virginia. Supt. MacDonald has been in Connelville for the past 18 years.

## Card of Thanks.

Mrs. E. L. Boyd and sisters, Misses Anna and Vivian Chalfant desire to extend their thanks to their friends and neighbors as well as the physicians for their kindness and sympathy shown them during the illness and death of their father Dr. William B. Chalfant of Pennsylvania.

Classified Ads in The Courier bring results. Only one cent a word. Try them.

## COAL VALUATION IN GREENE COUNTY

Figures of the Various Assessors Must Be Gone Over by Commissioners to Equalize.

WAYNESBURG, Dec. 28.—The County Commissioners will meet this week, when they will go over the accounts of the past year.

The most important task that will come before the Commissioners will be the adjusting of the assessed valuation placed on the Pittsburgh or river belt of coal by the assessors of the various townships. The majority of the assessors have completed their work. The assessors from the following districts have not made their report to the County Commissioners: Clarksville, Morris Run, Washington, Monongahela, Wayne, Gilmore, Richhill and Waynesburg borough, South Ward. Taking the figures of the reports that have been brought in already it is seen that they differ greatly as to the valuation on coal. It will be necessary for the County Commissioners to go over these books and adjust the valuation on the coal in some townships the valuations will necessarily have to be raised while it is likely that in other townships it will be lowered.

The County Commissioners have all expressed themselves of the opinion that it will be necessary to raise the figures above that placed on the coal three years ago.

After the three men have gone over the coal they will then set a day for appeals when the owners of property can come before them and have matters adjusted where there is some mistake.

## TOWNSHIP'S VALUATION TREBLED BY THE COAL

Greene County Black Diamonds Placed at \$70 Three Years Ago Now Placed at \$20.

WAYNESBURG, Dec. 28.—W. C. Rush the assessor of Jefferson township, has completed his work for this year. This township borders on the Monongahela river and is one of the wealthiest districts in the county. The valuation of its real estate has almost doubled during the past three years but as in other townships this increase has been due to the advance made in the value of the coal in the township.

Mr. Rush assessed the coal this year at \$200 per acre while three years ago the black diamonds were valued at only \$70 per acre. Several coal strikes have been made in the township during the past two months at over \$500 per acre.

Jefferson township contains 13,162 acres of land and this year there are 219 resident taxables in the township. The assessor found on his rounds 270 horses, 243 cows and 102 dogs.

## FAVORS GENERAL ELECTIONS

Madriz's Proclamation Approved by People of Nicaragua.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Rear Admiral W. W. Kimball, commanding the American naval force at Corinto, Nicaragua, sent a dispatch to the navy department saying that President Jose Madriz of Nicaragua, to whom Jose Santos Zelaya turned over the affairs of the government at Managua, had issued a proclamation to the people of Nicaragua declaring in favor of general elections for the election of the next president of the republic. It was met with enthusiastic popular approval.

Madriz has also invited the insurgents under General Estrada, the president of the provisional government, to lay down their arms and turn their rifles and ammunition over to the government.

Kimball Calls on President Madriz.  
Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 28.—President Madriz received a visit from Admiral Kimball, commanding the American naval forces at Corinto. The admiral had with him two naval aids and they were accompanied by Secretary Wloter of the Pan-American ministry. It was announced that the visit was entirely unofficial.

## Police Couldn't Save 'Em.

Even the police have shown peevishness over the Uniontown basketball team. They interfered in the game with Greensburg at Uniontown last night, but still the "Flamers" lost, 32 to 15. A Uniontown player blames the defeat on a "lucky" squirt Greensburg took in the last half.

## Read The Daily Courier.

## BIG COAL SALES MADE.

Cumberland Township Tracts Purchased at \$500 Per Acre.

Several important sales of Greene county coal have taken place the past week:

J. P. Donley, Dr. S. H. Innes, J. B. Gordon and others, of Waynesburg, and William P. Patterson of Oak Point, have purchased 82 acres of coal from George E. Bally in Cumberland township, at \$500 per acre; total consideration \$41,000.

Douglas Ammons of Waynesburg, has sold to J. V. Thompson, W. C. Minklen and Charlotte B. Agnew, of Uniontown, 168 acres of coal in the

# Today--Tuesday

We begin the most radical and sweeping reduction sale We ever announced.

## All Christmas Goods

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION

All Small Lots and odds and ends; all goods muddled from handling; all articles to be discontinued will be swept out

# At 1-2 @ 1-4 Less

THAN THEIR ACTUAL VALUE.

<p><b>Half Off.</b></p> <p>TRIMMED HATS PATTER NHATS CHILDREN'S HATS MISSSES' HATS UNTRIMMED SHAPES BEAVERS FANCY FEATHERS POMPONS WINGS BREASTS BIRDS MILLINERY SILKS MALINE CHIFFONS</p>	<p><b>Half Off.</b></p> <p>Popular Fiction and Children's Books</p> <p>HAPPY HOOLIGAN FOXY GRAND PA BUSTER BROWN SLOW AND SURE IN A NEW WORLD WITH KLINE IN INDIA DOLLS ANIMALS</p>	<p><b>Half Off.</b></p> <p>Sterling Silver and Triple Plated</p> <p>TOILET SETS MANICURING SETS MILITARY SETS COMB AND BRUSH SETS SHAVING SETS CLOTHES BRUSHES HAIR BRUSHES</p> <p><b>Bath Robes</b> SMOKING JACKETS MUFFLERS FANCY VESTS</p>
<p><b>Fourth Off.</b></p> <p>Cut Glass</p> <p>WATER PITCHERS WATER BOTTLES WATER TUMBLERS NAPPIES CELERY TRAYS BON BON DISHES MAYONNAISE SETS CREAM AND SUGAR SETS WINE SETS FERN DISHES VINEGAR BOTTLES OIL BOTTLES NUT BOWLS</p>	<p><b>Fourth Off.</b></p> <p>FANGY BLANKETS SILK HOSE SCARFS MEN'S SLIPPERS LADIES' SLIPPERS MISSSES' SLIPPERS CHILDREN'S SLIPPERS MALINE BOWS JABOTS PURSES BAGS SILK WAISTS NET WAISTS LINEN WAISTS MEN'S UMBRELLAS</p>	<p><b>Fourth Off.</b></p> <p>Art Linens</p> <p>DOILIES SCARFS CENTERPIECES TRAY CLOTHS LUNCH CLOTHS TABLE CLOTHS STAND COVERS</p> <p><b>Spun Brass Ware</b> JARDINTERS FERN DISHES LOVING CUPS CANDLE COVERS</p>

We know people look forward to our after Christmas Sale with great interest. Those who received money gifts can spend it in their own way, choosing the very thing they need.

# MACE & CO.

THE BIG STORE

## The News of Nearby Towns.

**DICKERSON RUN.**  
DICKERSON RUN, Dec. 28.—Christophor Ogilvie of Lincoln, Nebraska, is spending the holidays with his father, Joseph Ogilvie.

Mrs. and Mrs. Shearer of Mill Run, who have been visiting relatives and friends at this place, have returned to their home.

Harry Stuckler of Uniontown spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Stuckler.

Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson and daughter Miss Edna, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dunlap on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Lind of South Connelville have returned home after a very pleasant visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. B. J. Addis is spending the holidays with friends at Altoona, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas St. John spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Bert Ward, of Scottsdale.

James Daugherty was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis of North Connelville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis of North Connelville were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. DeLly Sunday.

Mrs. Edw. Ward returned last Sunday evening at 10:15 to her home in First Liberty, of pneumonia. She leaves a husband and four small children to mourn her loss.

**OWENSDALE.**  
OWENSDALE, Dec. 28.—The United Baptist Sunday school given a very interesting entertainment in the church on Christmas eve to a well filled house. The program consisted of music with recitations and Bible stories. It was carried out by about 50 boys and girls from the neighborhood, and primary department. Two special features of the program were a doll drill in about 20 little girls and a primary song to the effect the whole school marched to the stage and presented a pleasing appearance.

**ROCKWOOD.**  
ROCKWOOD, Dec. 28.—Orange Miller of Scottsdale is visiting his brother, J. S. Miller, for a few days.

Boss Shumaker of Homersville is spending his Christmas holidays with his brother H. H. Shumaker.

George Otto, who is attending St. Bernard's school near Philadelphia, is spending the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Cora Otto.

The Lutheran choir will be entertained at the home of the pastor on December 31, Thursday evening.

Mrs. John Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Gardner and son Wm., left for Johnstown today, where they will spend a few days with Mrs. M. E. Brennan, sister of Mrs. Goodman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shuttler and family are spending the holidays with the family's parents in Salisbury this week.

Mrs. Perry Walters of Holsapple is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Snyder for a few days.

It is reported that the B. & O. about a double track, the S. & C. branch from Rockwood to Johnstown. Let us hope this may be so.

## CONFERENCE IS WITHOUT RESULT.

Switchmen and Their Employers Fail to Get Together.

### GENERAL STRIKE IN PROSPECT

Railroad Officials' Refusal to Reinstatement Man Who Quit Brings an End to Negotiations and Breach is Wider Than Ever.

St. Paul, Dec. 28.—All efforts of Governor Eberhart to end the strike of railroad switchmen have apparently failed because of refusal of the railroad officials to agree to reinstatement of the man who quit. The governor can see no way to bring the contending parties together.

The final disagreement came when Vice President Slade of the Northern Pacific and J. M. Gruber, general manager of the Great Northern, handed the governor a communication in which they restated their willingness to submit the matter of wages and hours of labor to the Chicago conference, but said they could not agree to reinstate the men at once. The railways have given the men until tomorrow to accept their offer.

H. H. Perkins, who has been acting as chairman of the railway council, started for Washington, where he will seek the aid of federal officers. It was his opinion that if his efforts to procure an intervention failed there would be a general strike of railroad men controlled by the American Federation of Labor.

President Hawley of the Switchmen's Union of North America, as asserted, "Several other members of the railway council of the American Federation of Labor besides Mr. Perkins left for their headquarters to make preparations for a strike of their respective orders."

Want Increases All Along Line. Washington, Dec. 28.—Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, explained the coming conference of the leaders of the railroad men at the federal office in the department of the federal office as a step in the general agitation for increases of salary all along the line for railroad men.

While the four big railroad brotherhoods—the engineers, the conductors, the firemen and the trainmen—are not members of the railroad department, Secretary Morrison said he believed they would be represented at the conference, or if they are not represented directly they will work in a measure with those organizations which are.

The telegraphers, boiler-makers, machinists, freight handlers, clerks, switchmen and various unions of the shopworkers comprise the railroad department of the federation.

### PRINCE CHUN STABBED

Manchu Attempts to Kill Father of Chinese Emperor.

Shanghai, Dec. 28.—Prince Chun, the regent and father of Emperor Pu, was stabbed and slightly wounded while leaving his carriage near the palace at Peking. His assailant, who was arrested, is a Manchurian, who was formerly a cook in the imperial household.

Prince Chun is the fifth government officer to be the victim of a murderous assault in less than a week.

### TRAINMEN CAUGHT IN TRAP

Embankment Prevents Escape and Five Are Killed in Collision.

Seymour, Ind., Dec. 28.—Five trainmen were killed and two were fatally hurt eighteen miles west of this city on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwest ern railroad, when freight trains met head-on at a sharp curve. The three locomotives in the wreck were demolished and the unfortunate engine men were buried in the debris.

The high embankment on either side of the cut would not permit the train men to jump to places of safety.

Mrs. Ford Too Ill to Answer.

Cincinnati, Dec. 28.—The case of Jeannette Stewart Ford, accused of receiving stolen money from Charles L. Warshaw, the defaulting treasurer of the Big Four road, was called for trial, but Mrs. Ford was unable to appear because of illness. Her attorney in her behalf filed a demurrer to the indictment and the argument on his motion proceeded.

Annie Left Only \$300 Estate.

New York, Dec. 28.—William E. Annie, the advertising man who was killed by Captain Peter C. Hains in August, 1908, left an estate worth only \$300.95 according to a petition filed in the surrogate's court by Mrs. Helen B. Annie, his widow and administratrix.

Garnegie Falls and Injures Knee.

New York, Dec. 28.—Andrew Carnegie is laid up in bed with a strained knee as the result of a fall in Central park. Mr. Carnegie fell on a downward slope where youngsters had been coasting. His kneecap was injured.

No Clue to Murderer of Boy.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 28.—Search by the entire bureau of detectives for the murderer of James Friel, covering two days and two nights, has been unavailing, although every semblance of a clue has been run down and found unimportant.

### BRUTALLY SLAIN.

Crime Stirs County in Indiana to Great Excitement.

Washington, Ind., Dec. 28.—Rev. William Ritter and his aged wife were found murdered in their home half a mile east of Ellettsville and the entire county is aroused to a fever of excitement.

The wife was found lying full length upon the floor of the sitting room of their country home, her head toward the fireplace and her hair disheveled. She was in her bare feet and had probably made ready to retire when the crime was committed. There are no marks upon her body to indicate how she came to her death, but many believe she was choked to death.

The body of the aged matriarch was found in the cellar at the foot of the stairway. She was lying in a heap, as if he had been thrown down stairs. Both bodies were still.

They were last seen alive last Friday, when Milford Ketchum and wife, a young couple, who made their home with the Ritters and took care of the old couple, left the house to go to Burns City to spend Christmas with Mrs. Ketchum's parents. The old couple was then in good health. Ketchum and his wife returned from Burns City and found the bodies.

### GIRL VICTIM

Spurns Married Man and Is Shot to Death.

Toledo, O., Dec. 28.—Miss Caroline Hunt, aged eighteen, is dead; Mrs. Caroline Hunt is seriously wounded in the shoulder and Stephen Hunt probably fatally wounded in the head as the result of a shooting affray which occurred at the Hunt residence on Howard street. The shooting, it is alleged, was done by Joseph Macklen, aged thirty-eight, in a fit of jealousy because Miss Hunt refused to marry him.

Macklen is a switchman in the employ of the Michigan Central railroad and is married, his wife residing at Mansfield, O. Macklen was infatuated with the girl. She always spurned his attentions, however, as he was a married man.

This so angered Macklen that he loaded up with booze and started with his brother Jerry for the girl's home, declaring he would clean out the house.

### JEALOUS RIVAL

Kills Bridegroom Three Minutes After His Wedding.

Strickland, Ga., Dec. 28.—Three minutes after he had been married to Miss Rose Lee Butler and as he was about to enter a carriage with his bride, Gabriel Lee was shot to death by Joseph Jackson, who had been a suitor for the girl's hand.

As Lee fell dead at the feet of his bride Jackson turned to the girl and cried, "You are responsible. You pretended to love me, but threw me over for Lee. I told you that no other man should have you and I have kept my word."

Jackson fled and has not been apprehended, though police are in pursuit. All parties are members of prominent families.

### CORNERSTONE IS LAID

Of New York's New \$7,500,000 Municipal Building.

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The cornerstone is a four-ton block of granite bearing the year in Roman numerals, but no other inscription. It contains, among other things, twelve pictures in groups of four which were taken from three vantage points.

Anniversary of Messina Disaster.

Rome, Dec. 28.—Today is the first anniversary of the great earthquake by which the city of Messina was practically wiped off the map. On this occasion the naval league presented a richly engraved bronze plate to the consuls of the United States, Russia, England, Spain, Germany and France for the relief granted by the fleets of these nations on that occasion.

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The most serious instance of marine disaster is the loss of the six-masted schooner Davis Palmer, which is believed to have been dashed to pieces at the entrance to Boston harbor with the loss of all on board, eight men.

Evidence in shape of great masses of wreckage was hurled ashore at Point Allerton, Hull, which seemingly proved that a big coal schooner struck one of the many submerged ledges strewn along the entrance to the harbor and went to pieces within a few minutes. People who searched the wreckage at Point Allerton found a ship's pennant inscribed "Davis Palmer."

In addition to deck planks and beams quantities of cabin furniture and bedding was thrown upon the beach, but no bodies have been discovered.

Breaches Buoy Saves Many.

The three-masted schooner Natasket, bound from Georgetown, S. C., for Boston with a cargo of lumber, was unable to weather the gale in Massachusetts bay and was hurled on the beach at Scituate. Her crew of ten men were saved by a volunteer crew who dragged the Humane society's gun from a nearby house and succeeded in shooting a line into the rigging. The breaches buoy was then brought into play and all hands reached shore safely.

Two vessels went ashore at Vineyard Haven, but no lives were lost. The British schooner, A. K. McLean, from Perth Amboy for Halifax, lost her anchors in Vineyard Haven harbor and went ashore.

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### PATTEN HAS HARD FIGHT

Corn Prices Ralied and Noted Trader Is Millions of Bushels Short.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—May corn is advancing steadily and it looks to many brokers as if James Patten is up against one of the hardest fights in his life as a grain trader in the Chicago corn market at this time. Everybody has known that Patten has been fighting the advance in corn prices all along and in doing so it is asserted he has sold anywhere from 5,000,000 to 8,000,000 bushels short.

Patten always has a large following in any market in which he is conspicuous and it is probable that others of his friends and big financial followers are short in the aggregate as much corn as he is. Some of the pit leaders are inclined to put the shortage of this group of big interests under the Patten bear leadership in corn at 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 bushels.

### GORDON SUCCEEDS M'LAURIN

Governor of Mississippi Appoints Him as United States Senator.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 28.—Governor Noel has appointed Colonel James Gordon of Okolona as United States senator to succeed M'Lauren, deceased.

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In the ten minutes of tumult on the floor it was the floor traders that had the best opportunities to profit from the high prices. Jacob Field, one of the most active of them, was reported as placing his winnings at \$116,000. He sold short from the beginning until the culmination of the movement. Walter Content was reported to have cleaned up a tidy profit of \$30,000.

Stories of customers who profited by the advance and stories of customers who lost were fairly numerous, though in no case were the winnings as great as those of some floor traders. The latter altogether won \$500,000 at the lowest estimate.

Brokers with customers long of the stock burned the wires to reach them as soon as the news of the fireworks was telephoned from the floor. The condition in which telegraph and telephone wires were left by the storm made it practically impossible to reach out-of-town customers in time.

The advance, it was obvious and everywhere so granted, was due to sharp or blundering stock market tactics. The governors of the stock exchange so considered it and held a special meeting after the close of business and appointed a committee of investigation.

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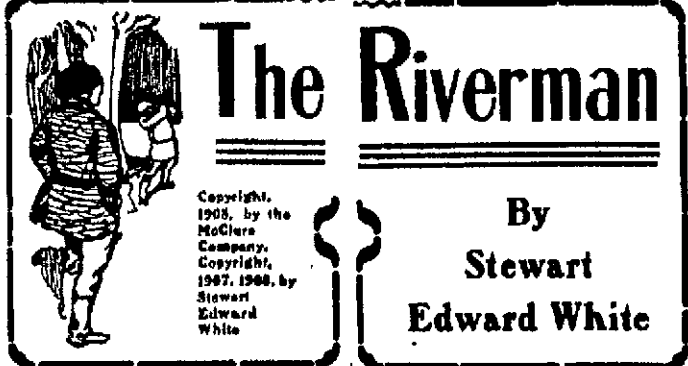
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"Newmark," Orde began abruptly, "I know all about this arrangement you made with Helmsman."

"I borrowed some money from Helmsman for the firm."

"Yes, and you supplied that money yourself."

Newmark's eyes narrowed.

"Well, what of it?"

"If you had the money to lend why didn't you lend it direct?"

"Because it looks better to mortgage to an outside holder."

"That was not the reason," went on Orde. "You agreed with Helmsman to divide when you succeeded in forcing us out of the underbunkers given us security. Furthermore, you instructed Floyd to go out on the eve of that blow in spite of his warnings, and you contracted with Helmsman for the sole purpose of pinching us down where we couldn't meet those notes. That's the only reason you borrowed the seventy-five thousand on your own account—so we couldn't borrow it to save ourselves."

"It strikes me you are interesting, but inconclusive," said Newmark as Orde paused again.

"That sort of thing is somewhat of a facet," went on Orde without the slightest attention to the interruption. "It took me some days to work it out in all its details, but I believe I understand it all now. I don't quite understand how you discovered about my California timber. That investigation was a very pretty move."

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Newmark, who had listened to this rambling expostulation with curiosity, broke into a laugh.

"You've convicted me," he said. "I'm a most awful failure. I thought I knew you, but this passes all belief."

Orde brushed this speech aside as irrelevant.

"Our association, of course, comes to an end. There remain the terms of settlement. I could fire you out of this without a cent, and you'd have to get. But that wouldn't be fair. I don't give a hang for you, but it wouldn't be fair to me. Now, as for the northern peninsula timber, you have had seventy-five thousand out of that and have lent me the same amount. Call that quits. I will take up your note when it comes due and destroy the one given to Helmsman. For all your holdings in our common business I will give you my note without interest and without time for \$100,000. That is not its face value nor anything like it, but you have caused me directly and indirectly considerable loss. I don't know how soon I can pay this note, but it will be paid."

"All right," agreed Newmark. "Does that satisfy you?"

"I suppose it's got to," said Orde.

"Very well. I have the papers here all made out. They need simply to be signed and witnessed. Timblub is the nearest notary. Come," said he.

In silence the two walked the block and a half to the notary's house. Finally the papers were executed. In the street Newmark paused significantly, but Orde did not take the hint.

"Are you coming with me?" asked Newmark.

"I am," replied Orde. "There is one thing more."

In silence once more they returned to the shadowy low library. Newmark threw himself into the armchair. He was once again the coldly calculating, cynical observer. Orde turned to face him.

"You have five days to leave town," he said crisply. "Don't ever show up here again. Let me have your address for the payment of this note."

He took two steps forward.

"You're a dirty, low lived skunk. If you think you're going to get off scot free you're mighty mistaken."

Newmark half arose.

"What do you mean?" he asked in some alarm.

"I mean that I'm going to give you about the worst licking you ever heard tell of," replied Orde, buttoning his coat.

Five minutes later Orde emerged from Newmark's house, softly rubbing the palm of one hand over the knuckles of the other.

He turned out of the side street. His own house lay before him. He stopped, then stole forward softly until he stood looking in through the doorway.

Carroll sat leaning against the golden horn, her slitting hand with the soft shadows bent until it almost touched the strings. Her hands were straying idly over accustomed chords and rich modulations, the plaintive half music of reverie.

Orde crept to her unheeded. Gently he clasped her. She sank back against his breast with a happy little sigh.

"Kind of fun being married, isn't it, sweetheart?" he said.

"Kind of," she replied, and raised her face to his.

THE END.

A Helpful Suggestion.

The young man had married the rich man's daughter and wasn't killing himself with work to support her. One day the father called him up to talk to him.

"Look here," he said emphatically, "why don't you go to work?"

"I don't have to," the son-in-law replied, with bristled frontality.

"Well, you will have to."

"Why will I?"

"Because, sir, I can't live always to support you."

"But you will leave us something?"

"Not much, I won't. There won't be anything to leave."

The son-in-law was alarmed.

"Great Jupiter!" he exclaimed. "You don't mean to tell me that you have nothing?"

"That's about it."

The son-in-law devoted himself to profound thought for several seconds.

"I have a suggestion to offer," he said in a businesslike manner.

"What is it?" asked the old gent.

"Well, I suggest that you take out, say, a \$20,000 life insurance on yourself to save wear and tear on my mind."—London Answers.

Just One Sentence.

"They say that Stevenson frequently worked a whole afternoon on a single line."

"That's nothing. I know a man who has been working the last six years on one sentence."—Boston Transcript.

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What There's Time For.

Loss of time for lots of things. Though it's said that time has wings; There is always time to find Ways of being sweet and kind. There is always time to share Smiles and goodness everywhere; Time to send the frowns away; Time to assist the weak to climb; Time to give a little flower. Time for helpfulness and time To gentle the wild to tame. For unkindness anywhere. —Frank Walcott Hunt.

Got Better All the Time.

A party of tourists were doing Boston and Cambridge. Said one: "So this is the cemetery where they say James Russell Lowell as a small boy went out one Halloween night to look for ghosts. I wonder which stone he was hiding behind and if he really did see a ghost."

"I can't tell you, ma'am," answered the guide, "but over here lies a man who had three wives. On the stone of the first one he had inscribed, 'My Wife'; on the stone of the second, 'My Dear Wife'; and on that of the third, 'My Beloved Wife.' If any ghosts are walking around here it ought to be that first wife."

Needed a Bracer.

A Louisville family, whereof a number are young girls, recently entertained a cousin who has rarely ventured out of the mountains of the Blue Grass State. One evening there was a dance in honor of the birthday of one of the young ladies, and it was with consid-

erable difficulty that the backward cousin was induced to come "downstairs" and mingle with the gay company there assembled.

About 10 o'clock a certain young lady, observing that the mountaineer had taken no part in the dancing, said:

"Mr. Cummins, aren't you going to dance with me?"

After an embarrassed pause the visitor said, "I will if you'll excuse me for a few minutes so that I can get about six drinks."

"Heavens!" exclaimed the girl, dumfounded by this extraordinary condition thus imposed.

"I beg your pardon," returned the mountaineer, against the effect he had produced, "but the truth is that I never have any confidence in my dancing until I've five or six whiskies."

Burn Your Own Smoke.

The first lesson of life is to burn our own smoke—that is, not to inflict on outsiders our personal sorrows and petty morbidness, not to keep thinking of ourselves as exceptional cases. —James Russell Lowell.

Still in the Dark.

As every lawyer knows, Senator Daniel is the author of a comprehensive treatise on negotiable instruments which is generally considered to be the leading authority on the subject. A friend one day inquired how it was that in the midst of his arduous political duties, which must have demanded his constant attention, he found time to write two such extensive volumes.

"Well," replied the senator, "it happened this way: A young fellow I knew came to me one day and said, 'Say, Mr. Daniel, does a slight draft bear interest?' And—would you believe it?—I couldn't answer that simple question. So I determined then and there to find out all about it. It took me a long time, but I did it."

"Well, senator," observed the friend after a short pause, "does a slight draft bear interest?"

"There was a moment's silence. 'Hanged if I know!' was the abrupt reply."

A Tragedy at the Parsonage.

A present of a pair of chickens to a country parsonage where there were a large family and a small income was an event, and the youngest two children (who were usually put to bed with a simple meal) were promised a share in the family treat; but, unfortunately, two neighboring ministers dropped in, and the children's mother had to compromise with the little people. A promise of candy pacified them to wait until the older people were through.

At the table the chicken was fast disappearing, when the door, which had been suspiciously creaking for some time, was flung wide open. Two faces glared at the visitors, while two childish voices shouted in unison: "Go ahead; that's right! Eat it all up, boys!"

Wonderful.

A German university doctor, desiring to see a bird catcher exercise his employment, accompanied him to the field. As soon as he saw the birds he bellowed in Latin:

"There they are!"

The birds took the alarm. The sportsman, indignant at the absurdity of the professor, told him of it in very plain terms.

"My good friend," exclaimed the doctor in great astonishment, "who would have imagined that birds would understand Latin?"

An Injustice.

An order prohibiting gambling among the enlisted men detailed at the West Point Military academy caused, it would appear, much trouble for certain of the soldiers there. An old sergeant of a negro regiment who was sent to the post suggested a game of craps soon after his arrival. Other soldiers told him of the rule against gambling and refused to join in the game. "Is your side right," said the new arrival, "um! Ah! I see do cup's 'bout it." Upon being admitted to the commanding officer's room the sergeant said, with some show of heat:

"Cap'n, Ah understand that gamblin' ain't loved here no mo'."

"That's correct," said the officer.

"Well, dat's a injustice to enlisted men, sah, 'cause I's got a large family to support."

Couldn't Eat Excuses.

A schoolteacher in a rural district left her boarding place suddenly and could not be prevailed upon to return. Her landlady asked the committee to find out why her boarder had left her, and to them the young woman said plainly that the food was so bad she could not eat it.

This explanation was in turn conveyed to the landlady, who expressed the greatest surprise.

"Why," she said, "I don't see how that could be. I knew the bread was bad two or three times, but I was always careful to excuse it."

First Aid to Miterates.

Uncle Joe Cannon had an amusing experience with a waiter in a Kansas City hotel during his last visit to that city. Being in no mood to select his dinner, he had tossed aside, after a glance, the menu presented to him by his waiter, saying:

"Bring me a good dinner."

Incidentally Uncle Joe slipped the man a big tip in advance.

This report proving satisfactory, the speaker pursued the same plan during the remainder of his stay in Kansas City. As he was leaving the servitor remarked earnestly as he helped him on with his overcoat:

"I beg your pardon, sir, but when you or any of your friends that can't read come to Kansas City just ask for 'Tou!'"

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## Chapter 36

"YOU seem to have this game all figured out," said Orde with contempt.

"Well," said the other, "let's settle this thing. The fact remains that the firm owes a note to Helmsman which it cannot pay. You owe a note to the firm which you cannot pay. All this may be slightly irregular, but for private reasons you do not care to make public the irregularity. And I right so far?"

"You might hear the other side," interrupted Orde. "In the first place," said he, producing a bundle of papers, "I have the note and the mortgages in my possession."

"Whence Helmsman will shortly receive—as soon as I get to see

him," countered Newmark. "If you force Helmsman he'll land you," Orde pointed out.

"There is Canada for me. He travels with heavier baggage."

"You'd lose everything."

"Not quite," smiled Newmark. "And, as usual, you are forgetting the personal equation. Helmsman is—Helmsman. And I am I."

"Then I suppose this affidavit from Helmsman as to the details of all this is useless for the same reason?"

Newmark's thin lips parted.

"Correct," said he.

"But you're run to compromise below the face of the note?"

Newmark hesitated.

"Yes," said he, "because I know you well enough to realize that there is a point where your loyalty to Helmsman would step aside in favor of your loyalty to your family."

"And you think you know where that point is?"

"It's the basis of my compromise."



"How the devil did you get on to that?" cried Newmark, startled.

"Then you acknowledge it?"

"Why shouldn't I? Of course Helmsman blabbed."

"Orde half sat on the arm of his chair."

"Now, I'll tell you what we will do in this matter," said he crisply.

"Well, follow," said Newmark, "the original program, as laid down by myself. I'm tired of dealing with blundering fools. Helmsman's mortgage will be foreclosed, and you will hand over as per the agreement your Boom company stock."

Orde stared at him in amazement.

"I must say you have good nerve," he said. "You don't seem to realize that you are pretty well tangled up. I don't know what they call it—criminal conspiracy or something of that sort. I suppose. So far from handing over to you the bulk of my property I can send you to the penitentiary."

"Nonsense," rejoined Newmark, leaning forward in his turn. "I know you too well, Jack Orde. You're a fool. Do you seriously mean to say that you dare try to prosecute me? Just as sure as you do I'll put Helmsman in the pen too. I've got it on him, cold. He's a bribe giver—and somewhat a criminal conspirator himself."

## Uniontown Critic Praises Said Pasha and Cast Who Presented It Christmas

By O. S. Kennedy.

An amateur production, either dramatic or operatic, requires a certain latitude in criticism, and justly so, not generally allowed to theatrical performances. But to ask a stranger to review a home talent opera such as "Said Pasha" at the Solson Saturday, almost necessarily requires him to look at it as a professional effort. And there are few amateur productions able to stand such scrutiny and be recorded as unqualified successes. But "Said Pasha" was one of the rare exceptions and certainly merits a qualified praise from all who witnessed it. It is a charming little affair, and though without much plot, in proper hands its opportunities are considerable, and from opening chorus to finale it was most capably taken care of.

The same part was taken by Leslie A. Howard, Esq., and considering the handicap under which he labored, his work was admirable. He suffered somewhat with cold and sore throat that it was with difficulty he was able to speak, much less sing. But his ability is known and he was indeed an excellent "Said Pasha."

"The Hussar Boy" of Mr. Michalowski was good, and his "Love Song" in Act I was encored twice.

In Johnny Davis Connelleville is fortunate in possessing a real talent. His "Tango" was unusually well sung, and his voice, pure and sympathetic, was a delight to the ear. His solo "Merry Hearts" was one of the bright things of the performance.

The comedy roles of "Ladad" and "Nockey" were certainly placed in the right hands when they were entrusted to Joe Gough and Charles Robson. On these devolved much of the plot of the opera as well as the humor, and to say that they kept things lively is putting it mildly. They made things hum. Francis Wilson and Eddie Fox might have done as well, but not in the center of the circle. Mr. Gough made a great hit in the quintet "Life is Always Sunshine as Long as Love is Young" and his topical verses were gems. Mr. Robson kept the house in an uproar with his imitative antics and he is a comedian born. He is quick witted and his stage presence is unusually good.

John McDonald as the "Sergeant" was good enough for Company D.

As "Sergeant" Miss Lottin (Lara) was about the best prima donna possible for amateur work. Her voice is a coloratura soprano of rare beauty, and she sang and acted with extraordinary charm and grace. She was applauded strenuously, and her solo

"Deep Within My Inmost Heart" was beautifully rendered. Great things will be expected of her in future. Miss Mildred Miller was "Aunt" and she certainly was an "ideal" queen. She was so sweet and attractive that it is no wonder she broke all hearts. Her solo "Cupid and I" was gloriously sung, and she took the difficult cadenzas with the ease of an operatic song bird. She possesses the quality some great singers lack, the happy faculty of being always in pitch.

Mrs. Margaret Newcomer is no stranger to Connelleville audiences and her work as "Hahli" was, as always, a rare treat. She is a clever actress as well as a finished singer, and her rendition of the aria "Night Birds Cooing" was wonderfully well done. Art and experience may serve to polish her to even greater attainments, but they will only enhance her natural ability.

The two stars of the production have not yet been mentioned. One was on the stage and the other in the orchestra pit. While the talent was there to work on, the bulk of the credit for such a finished performance must be given where it rightfully belongs—to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Stout. Mr. Stout assumed his old role of "The Rajah" and did it as it could only be done by the man famous for years as "the biggest bass on Broadway." No further praise of his work is necessary. Superlatives would be needed to properly describe the part taken in the success of the opera by Mrs. Stout. She did everything from helping rehearse and making up directing the orchestra, and how much dependence is placed on her by the members of cast and chorus, only those who have worked under her direction can appreciate. There is a saying in Uniontown that "If Pop Stout and his wife can't pull you through, you don't deserve to get through," and I guess the members of the Connelleville Opera Club will second this. But it were idle to speak further of their merits, for of them it might well be said "Si monumentum requiris, circumspice." Their work speaks for itself.

The chorus work was excellent, especially that of the girls. Their opening chorus "We Are the Darlings of Said Pasha" was a beautiful air and the grand march at the close of Act I well deserved the round of applause it received. The costumes were exceptionally good and the orchestra fully competent. If "Said Pasha" is a sample of Connelleville opera, Uniontown would be glad of a chance to patronize it.

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## SUES WOMAN FOR \$100,000

Bessie De Voe Blames Broker's Wife For Her Troubles.

New York, Dec. 23.—Alleging that statements derogatory to her were made by Mrs. Edna T. Slayback of this city, Bessie De Voe, the little dancer, who is suing Frank J. Gould for \$250,000 for alleged fraud in connection with a promise she says he

made to marry her, has sued Mrs. Slayback, wife of a broker, for \$100,000 for alleged slander.

Miss De Voe recites in her action against Mrs. Slayback that the derogatory statements made by Mrs. Slayback to Mr. Gould were largely responsible for the young millionaire's sudden change of heart in regard to the dancer. Miss De Voe says she has three witnesses, "prominent in New York society, whom all the money in the world cannot buy," and that they will testify in her behalf in the Slayback case and also in the Gould case, which may or may not precede the Slayback case.

## PASSENGERS IN TERROR

Liner Iroquois Loses Rudder and Rides Helplessly on Heavy Sea.

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 23.—With one hundred frightened passengers on board the Clyde line steamer Iroquois, minus her rudder, is towing in a rough sea thirteen miles off Frying Pan shoals on the coast of North Carolina, according to a wireless message picked up here.

The Mallory liner San Maroon is alongside ready to take off the Iroquois passengers if rough weather forces the skipper to abandon their plan to remain together and make a run for Charleston.

Stepped in Path of Mail Train. Philadelphia, O. Dec. 23.—Mary Whitcomb and Mary Collett, each fourteen years old, were killed by mail train No. 11 at the Panhandle station. A local freight train was on one track and the two girls walking around it, stepped directly in front of the mail train.

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Tigers	21	18	.537	
Topnotchers	23	20	.535	
Cubs	20	19	.513	
Athletics	15	27	.357	

The Connelleville Duckpin League woke up last night and played business at the same old stand on the Temple alleys. At least, a portion of two teams went through the motions. The Tigers played in skeleton form, having two live ones and four "dead men" on their team. They lost all three games to their bitter rivals, the Cubs. The Cubs will rejoice, having finally walloped the Tigers even if they do not ultimately win the pennant. The league season closes Friday night, the Topnotchers and Athletics getting in it. The score:

	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
*W. L. Wright	24	50	50	124
Double	95	167	106	368
*J. Oll	50	59	59	168
*Downs	50	59	59	168
*Crawley	24	50	50	124
Buckley	51	76	76	203
Total	170	341	352	1163

	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Davidson	78	77	82	237
La Long	51	71	91	213
Norton	48	72	78	198
Goldsmith	80	82	82	244
*Schumacher	77	59	59	195
Gilbreth	51	79	76	206
Total	405	431	472	1308

\*Plat of man.

\*Dead man in two games.

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## WILD ANIMALS MAKE RAIDS

Severe Weather in West Drives Beasts Into the Open.

Denver, Dec. 23.—Unusually heavy snows on the eastern slope of the Rockies has forced wild game of nearly all varieties to overrun ranches along the foothills in search of food. A mountain lion chased two cows through the village of Insomont, a mountain resort sixteen miles from Denver. A coyote appeared at the kitchen of the hotel at Bailey, another nearby resort, and almost got one of the landlady's dogs.

Antelope, deer and mountain sheep are seen in large numbers on the ranches of Fronton county close to Canon City and farmers complain that they are depleting the stocks of hay needed for cattle and sheep. The winters have been mild for several years and farmers have grown careless about winter food for stock, so that the severe weather this month makes the raids of wild animals a serious matter.

## ROBBED OF HER TRESES

Woman Knocked Senseless and Her Hair is Cut Off.

St. Louis, Dec. 23.—After two unsuccessful attempts Mrs. William J. Ehlens was robbed of her five feet of flowing blonde tresses, which had been her signal pride and the despair of neighborhood women.

An unidentified thief cut the entire wealth of golden hair from her head, knocked her senseless and escaped. She had left her rooms to attend mass and was passing along the hall when a man stepped in front of her, hit her and then cut her tresses, which, when undone, reached nearly to the floor.

Card of Thanks. David Glotfelty and family desire to extend their thanks to their many friends who so kindly comforted and aided them during the recent illness and death of Mrs. Glotfelty wife of the former.

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Many rare bargains for after-Christmas shoppers

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